

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Final Office Action of February 9, 2005, has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested. (PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT FILED ON APRIL 11, 2005).

Claims 6-14 have been added. Claims 1-14 remain pending. New claims 6-13, which ultimately depend from claim 1, and claim 14 which depends from claim 4, are fully supported by the original written description and drawings. These claims do not add new matter.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over “Adobe Acrobat 3.0 Reader Online Guide,” 9/1996, Adobe Systems, Inc., pages 1-110 (hereinafter referred to as *Adobe*) in view of “Joke eBook”, 7/1998, PrimaSoft PC, Inc., Electronic Book Series version 1.0, pages 1-5 (hereinafter referred to as *Joke eBook*). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Applicants have amended independent claims 1 and 3 to include, among other features, “wherein at least one of the plurality of user interface document pages is configured to be manipulated.” Any type of user interface element within *Adobe* or *Joke eBook* is not configured to be manipulated. Applicants submit that the combination of *Adobe* and *Joke eBook* fail to teach or suggest at least the feature of Applicants’ claims 1 and 3.

Applicants’ dependent claim 2, which depends from claim 1, is patentably distinct over the combination of *Adobe* and *Joke eBook* for at least the same reasons and further in view of the novel features recited therein. As such, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of claims 1 and 3.

Applicants have amended independent claim 4 to recite, among other features, “a selection model for allowing a user to select an object of a command after the user selects the command.” In the Final Office Action, the Action relies on highlighted text links or “Go to”

commands to another page or topic. (Action, page 6). Such a hyperlink in *Adobe* jumps a user to another page or topic; however, the object of the command is never selected. In such an example, only the command is selected. *Joke eBook* fails to cure this deficiency of *Adobe*. As such, the combination of *Adobe* and *Joke eBook* fails to teach or suggest at least this feature of Applicants' claim 4. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Further, Applicants' have amended independent claim 5 to recite, among other features, "executes a command by activating a link on a document page, and selects an object of the command in response to executing the command." For similar reasons are stated above with respect to Applicants' claim 4, Applicants submit that the combination of *Adobe* and *Joke eBook* fail to teach or suggest at least the feature of Applicants' claim 5. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicants' claims 6-14, which ultimately depend from claims 1 and 4, are allowable over the art of record for at least the same reasons as their base claim and further in view of the novel features recited therein. Support for new claims 6-14 can be found within Applicants' original written description and drawings. No new matter has been added with the addition of these new claims.

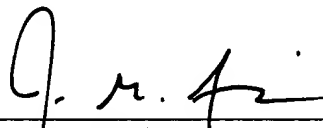
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CONCLUSION

All rejections having been addressed, Applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicit prompt notification of the same. Should the Examiner find that a telephonic or personal interview would expedite passage to issue of the present application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below. If any fees are required or if an overpayment has been made the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,
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